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SUBJ: ICAO: DENMARK JOINT FINANCING AGREEMENTS

1. SUMMARY: USREP HAS THREE PAGE LETTER FROM DCA DENMARK
REPORTING IN DETAIL ON MAY 18 DISCUSSIONS WITH VISITING FAA
TEAM. (TEXT HEREUNDER). USREP REQUESTS DEPARTMENT REPORT ON
DISCUSSIONS AND ANY RECONSIDERATION US POSITIONS ON VARIOUS
QUESTIONS RAISED. COUNCIL CONSIDERS TWO JSC PAPERS JUNE 8
AND COULD USE OPPORTUNITY FOR MODIFICATIONS. END SUMMARY

2. QUOTE

DEAR MRS. DILLON,

ON MAY 18, 1977 WE HAD AN INFORMAL LIASON VISIT BY
REPRESENTATIVES FROM YOUR FAA INCLUDING MR. CLYDE W. PACE, JR.

SINCE THE AGENDA ORIGINALLY HAD A REFERENCE TO "PROBLEM
AREAS" WE THOUGHT WE SHOULD INCLUDE A REFERENCE TO OUR JOINT FINAN-
CING PROBLEMS AND HAVE A PRELIMINARY EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THE
MATTER.

I THINK THE MAIN COMMENTS MADE WERE RELATED TO A SHORT
EXPLANATION OF THE U.S. POSITION ON THE SONDRESTROM AIR/GROUND
COM-QUESTION AND AN INDICATION OF DENMARKS POSITION TO THE
DEN/ICE/3 REC. NOS. 3/1, 3/6, AND 3/7.

PLEASE SEE THE ENCLOSED NOTE FROM THE MEETING.

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YOU WILL RECALL THAT OUR RELIEF OF THE USAF COMMITMENT
IN RESPECT OF AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL IN THE SONDRESTROM FIR AS OF
JANUARY 1, 1976 CALLED ON US TO TRANSFER OPERATING RESPONSIBILITY
TO ICELAND FOR THE GREENLAND AIRSPACE (NORTH OF 6330N) FROM AND
ABOVE FLIGHT LEVEL 195 HAVING ENTERED INTO A NEW NAT/FIR
ARRANGEMENT AS REGARDS THE GREENLAND AREA.

AT THE SAME TIME WE ALSO ASSUMED THE WELL-KNOWN AIR/GROUND

COM-COMMITMENTS AT SONDRESTROM.

YOU WILL APPRECIATE THAT THE U.S. OPPOSITION TO THE ICAO FINANCING OF THE HF VHF A/C FACILITY IN QUESTION (SOME U.S. \$ 300,000 PER YEAR AS OF JUNE 1, 1976) AS REQUESTED BY DENMARK AND ACCEPTED BY ICAO, TOOK US BY SURPRISE, AND WE FIND IT DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND THE U.S. POSITION CONSIDERING THAT THE WHOLE EXERCISE WAS MADE TO ALLEVIATE AN AMERICAN COMMITMENT UNDER THE 1960 AGREEMENT BETWEEN OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS CONCERNING ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF CERTAIN AERONAUTICAL FACILITIES AND SERVICES IN GREENLAND.

DURING THE DEN/ICE/3 CONFERENCE YOUR ASSOCIATE FROM THE WASHINGTON OFFICE, AS YOU KNOW, DREW ATTENTION TO YOUR REQUIREMENT FOR THE STATION UPERNAVIK, ONE OF THE SIX STATIONS TO BE DELETED AS A CONSEQUENCE OF WITHDRAWAL OF JOINT FINANCING UNDER DEN/ICE/3 REC. NO. 3/1.

WE MENTIONED THIS TO MR. PACE DURING OUR DISCUSSIONS IN COPENHAGEN, AND MR. PACE SUGGESTED THAT WE DISCUSS MUTUAL NETWORK COMPLICATIONS DIRECTLY WITH THE USAF.

THIS IN FACT MEANS THAT WE SHOULD HAVE A BILATERAL ARRANGEMENT UNDER THE 1960 AGREEMENT WHERE U.S. TAKES OVER THE MAINTENANCE YOU NEED FOR YOUR PURPOSES?

AS INDICATED IN THE ENCLOSED NOTE FROM OUR MEETING WITH THE FAA WE HAVE BEEN SEARCHING FOR A COMPROMISE SOLUTION AND IT IS BELIEVED THAT THERE MIGHT BE A COMMON INTEREST IN A JOINT TERMINATION OF THE DANISH JF AGREEMENT (AND IF AGREEABLE TO ICELAND ALSO OF THE ICELANDIC AGREEMENT) AT A SPECIFIC DATE - PERHAPS IN 1982-83.

1982 WAS A DATE MENTIONED IN THE WMO CBS' REC. NO. 17, AND IN 1983 THE ICECAN CABLE LEASE EXPIRES, AND ALSO AT THAT TIME UNCLASSIFIED

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WE SHALL HAVE 100 O/O REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS ALLOCABLE TO THE PRESENT ICAO CHARGES.

UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES IT WOULD SEEM TO BE A TREMENDOUS ADMINISTRATIVE EFFORT TO MAINTAIN THE JF AGREEMENT OR MAINLY TO FINANCE WHAT IS LEFT OF THE SYNOPTIC OBSERVING NETWORK WHICH MAY BE 3 OR LESS OF WHAT WAS ORIGINALLY SOME 11 STATIONS.

WHEN THE DANISH DELEGATION VOTED FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THE 30 O/O ALLOCATION OF COSTS RELATED TO THE SYNOPTIC OBSERVING STATIONS IT WAS ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE PRESENT NETWORK WAS RETAINED.

IF THE NETWORK IS REDUCED AS NOW RECOMMENDED, CERTAINLY THE ALLOCATION SHOULD BE INCREASED, AND UNDER A CHARGING SYSTEM COMPRISING A REDUCED "COST/EFFECTIVE" AERONAUTICAL NETWORK (MAYBE EVEN DOWN TO TWO STATIONS) WE WOULD WISH TO CHARGE 100 O/O OR VERY NEAR THERETO.

BEFORE FORMING A FINAL POSITION ON THESE MATTERS WE SHOULD APPRECIATE VERY MUCH TO HAVE THE U.S. POSITION WHETHER U.S. COULD SUPPORT IN PRINCIPLES A DELAY OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DEN/ICE/3 REC. NO. 3/1, 3/6, AND 3/7, I.A. FREEZING THE

AGREEMENT PENDING A JOINT TERMINATION BY THE CONTRIBUTING STATES
AND DENMARK UNDER THE JF AGREEMENT'S ARTICLE XXIV, PARAGRAPH 2
AND NOT LATER THAN AT THE END OF 1983 IT BEING UNDERSTOOD
THAT THE PRESENT JF FINANCING OF THE NECESSARY FACILITIES AND
SERVICES REQUIRED FOR INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION AS DETERMINED
BY A CONFERENCE DURING 1981 WILL BE REPLACED BY IMPLEMENTATION
OF A NATIONAL DANISH EN ROUTE CHARGING SYSTEM TO BE DEVELOPED
WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF AND IN CO-OPERATION WITH ICAO.

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AS INDICATED IN THE NOTE OF MAY 18 IT WOULD SEEM PREFERABLE
THAT THE ICELAND AGREEMENT WAS REPLACED BY A CHARGING SYSTEM
TOGETHER WITH OUR ICAO AGREEMENT. BUT ALTHOUGH VERY DESIRABLE,
THIS NEED NOT TAKE PLACE SIMULTANEOUSLY.

I AM SORRY THAT I DID NOT WRITE TO YOU SOONER. I KNOW YOU
MIGHT HAVE EXPECTED ME TO DO SO. HOWEVER, YOU WILL APPRECIATE
THAT THESE MATTERS DEVELOP ONLY VERY SLOWLY, AND I THOUGHT
THAT A MERE REPORTING OF OUR CONTINUOUS OBSTINACY WAS PERHAPS
NOT SO INTERESTING.

MY VERY BEST REGARDS,
G. CRONE-LEVIN UNQUOTE

3. ATTACHMENT READS AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE: FAA MEETING AT THE
DIRECTORATE OF CIVIL AVIATION, COPENHAGEN, MAY THE 18TH 1977.
THE DANISH DELEGATION WANTED TO ADVISE THE FAA THAT THE DANISH
CAA FOUND IT DIFFICULT TO ADVOCATE ACCEPTANCE OF THE DEN/ICE/3
RECOMMENDATIONS NOS. 3/1 (MET OBSERVING STATIONS IN GREENLAND)
AND 3/6, 3/7 (COM SONDRESTROM), WHICH WERE STRONGLY PROMOTED AND
SUPPORTED BY THE US AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY IN
PARTICULAR.
AS REGARDS REC NO. 3/1 THE CAA REFERRED TO THE DANISH WORKING

PAPER NO. 19 AT THE DEN/ICE/3 CONFERENCE.
AS REGARDS THE RECOMMENDED REDUCTION OF THE FINANCING OF THE
COM-FACILITIES AT SONDRESTROM (REC NOS 3/6 AND 3/7) THE CAA
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REFERRED TO WORKING PAPER NO. 20.
THE CAA WERE AT PRESENT LOOKING FOR A COMPROMISE SOLUTION.
THIS COULD BE AS FOLLOWS: DEVELOPMENT OF A CHARGING SYSTEM (WITHIN
ICAO) TO REPLACE THE PRESENT ICELANDIC AND DANISH JOINT FIANCING
AGREEMENTS AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE (PRESUMABLY BY 1982/83) AS
WELL AS A REVISION OF THE FACILITIES TO TAKE PLACE DURING A
CONFERENCE IN 1980/81. IN THE MEANTIME THE PRESENT ARRANGEMENTS
SHOULD CONTINUE WITHOUT CHANGES. THE FAA REACTION TO THE ABOVE
SUGGESTIONS COULD BE APPRECIATED.
2 ENCLOSURES (WORKING PAPER NO. 19 AND NO. 20.) UNQUOTE

4. USREP HAS NO REPORT ON THESE DISCUSSIONS IN COPENHAGEN NOR
WERE WE AWARE THEY WERE TAKING PLACE. JSC MET ON SEVERAL OF
THESE QUESTIONS ON MAY 12 AND 19. WE MUST KNOW IMMEDIATELY IF
THERE IS ANY MODIFICATION OF US POSITIONS PARTICULARLY BECAUSE OF
OUR CLOSE WORKING RELATIONS WITH SCAN DEL ON OTHER CURRENT ITEMS OF
GREAT INTEREST TO US. USREP WISHES TAKE OPPORTUNITY TO REITERATE
DEEP CONCERN RE LACK OF COORDINATION AND OUR CONTINUALLY HAVING
TO LEARN THROUGH OTHER GOVERNMENTS OF USG DISCUSSIONS RELEVANT
TO MATTERS CURRENTLY UNDER CONSIDERATION IN ICAO BODIES/MONTREAL.
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